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SUBJ: INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS: EMPLOYMENT OF
WOMEN IN ITU

1. DURING HIS CALL ON ITU SECRETARY GENERAL MILI
LAST SPRING, IO ASSPSTANT SECRETARY LEWIS BROACHED SUB-
JECT OF EMPLOYMENT OF WOMEN IN HIGH-LEVEL POSITIONS IN
ITU. MILI REPLIED THAT NO WOMEN WERE EMPLOYED BY ITU
IN THESE POSITIONS BECAUSE:

(A) GOVERNMENTS DID NOT SUBMIT NAMES OF WOMEN CANDI-
DATES FOR VACANCIES WHEN THEY OCCURRED, AND

(B) LOW NUMBERS OF WOMEN ARE TRAINED IN ELECTRICAL
ENGINEERING AND OTHER TECHNICAL FIELDS RELATED TO TELE-
COMMUNICATIONS ACTIVITIES.

2. ON HIS INITIAL CALL ON SYG MILI ON SEPTEMBER 16,
AMBASSADOR CATTO RAISED MATTER AGAIN. THIS TIME MILI,
WHO WAS EVIDENTLY BRIEFED ON THIS ITEM BEFOREHAND,
ADVISED THAT WITHIN PAST YEAR, ITU HAD APPOINTED A
WOMAN TO HEAD UP THE UNION'S TEN-PERSON SPANISH
TRANSLATION UNIT. WE ALSO LEARNED THAT A WOMAN IS THE
CHIEF OF THE ITU'S ARCHIVES.CATTO

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